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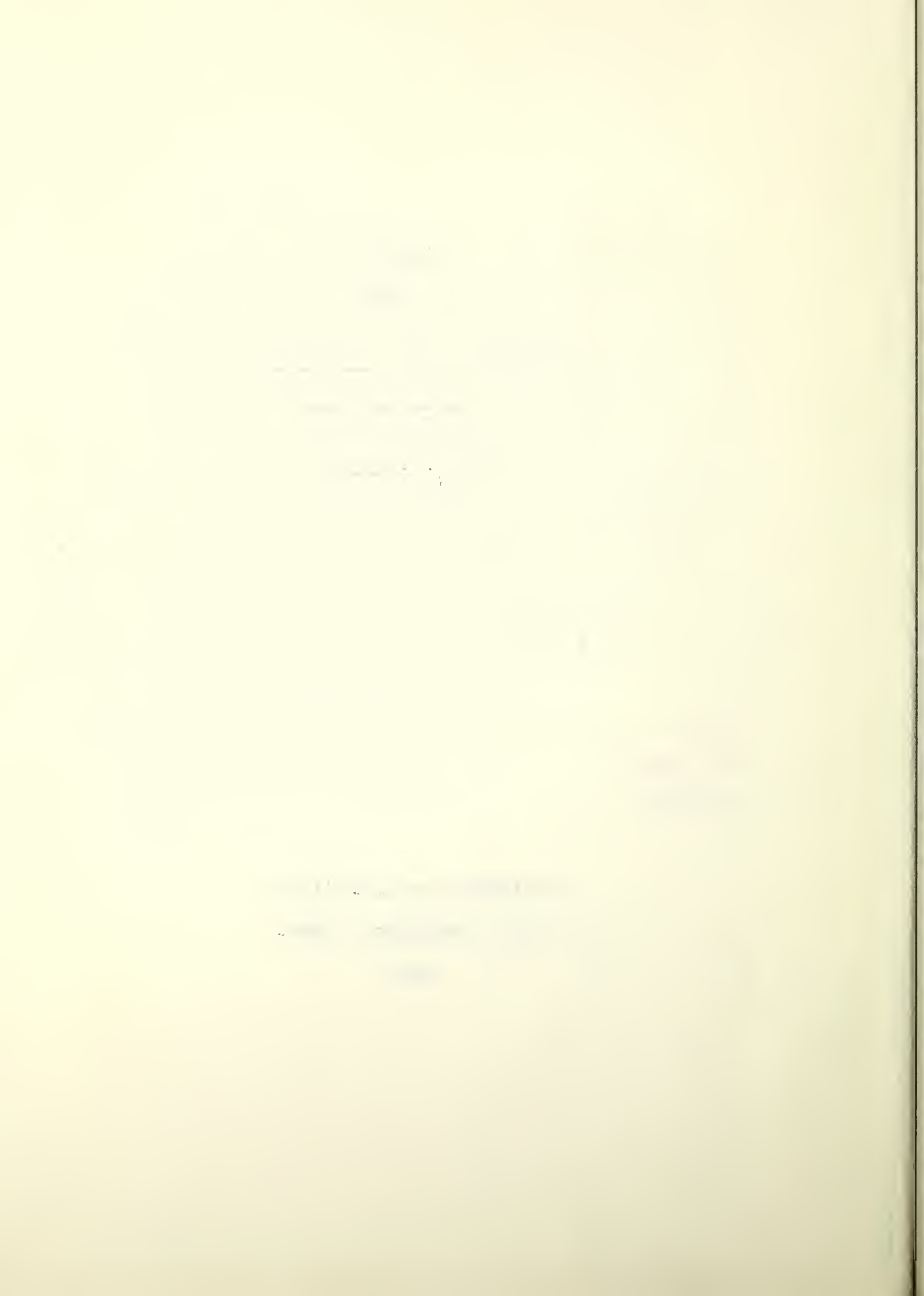
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P R E F A C E

Our object in issuing this book, is to collect in a form for preservation the several incidents most prominent in the history of the town, from its settlement to the present time. We do not claim that it is complete, as we have been compelled to condense the matter, in order to furnish a book at a price so low that all can afford a copy.

We have also been unable to give the necessary time to a thorough search for material: indeed, it is impossible to give a full account of several incidents relating to its early history: yet enough has been collected to give the reader a fair view of the events that have occurred during the century that has passed since our ancestors commenced their struggle for subsistence among these rugged hills.

In collecting the dates and the other matter for this work, we have received valuable assistance from Hon. J.N.Dunham, of Pittsfield, Mass., Philo Carpenter, of Chicago, Ill., Rev. A. Deming., L. McCulloch Esq. and others, of Savoy, Mass., and their kindness will ever be remembered by the

AUTHOR

West Cummington, Mass. July 1879

HISTORY OF SAVOY

At the time of the settlement of Adams, and the towns along the river, all the territory from Cheshire, Mass. to the Vermont line, was called East Hoosac, and the unsettled tract, now called SAVOY, was included in this region. From the time of its settlement until its incorporation, it was called by the settlers NEW SECONK, and was known to the General Court as "Bullock's Grant," being a portion of the tract of land consisting of six square miles, granted by the General Court, to Col. Wm. Bullock of Rehoboth, as Agent for the heirs of Capt. Samuel Gallup and his company of men, in consideration of services rendered by them during the French and Indian war. This grant was made April 25 1771.

Previous to this grant, this tract formed No. 6, of the ten Townships, sold at auction by the General Court, at Boston, June 2nd 1762, and was purchased by Abel Lawrence, at £ 1350 sterling. He was afterwards released [4] from his bargain because the land was not so good as represented. In the grant to Col. Bullock, it was stipulated that three rights, of 380 acres each, should be reserved for the following uses, viz: one as a donation for the first settled minister, one for the ministry forever, and one for the use of schools: thus securing religious and educational advantages before any settlement was made.

The first settlement in town was made in 1777 by a man named Robinett, who located near where the Coal-kilns now stand. How long he remained, or what became of him we are unable to learn. Capt Lemuel Hathaway, of Taunton, came

into the south part of this town during the same year. Mr. Hathaway was an able man, and his descendants are people of good character. His great grandson, Rev. C.L. Waite, is now pastor of the Universalist Church at Orange, Mass.

About this time other families commenced clearing lands in the north part of the town, one on the "Dunham" lot, (now occupied by James Kelly,) in School district No. 4, another, a Mr. Bishop, located on land now owned by [5] Leonard McCulloch, in the part of the town called "New State." another on the "Goff" place, and another on the hill north of the Hollow. These men when clearing land, often "exchanged work" all laboring together, for a given time, at each place.

In those days there were no roads, and some of the men being obliged to go to Adams and work, to earn provisions for their families, brought the meal, and other commodities upon their shoulders. Some who had trades, would go to Troy and other places for work, leaving their courageous wives to superintend affairs at home. In several instances, these plucky women remained for a number of weeks literally alone in the wilderness, surrounded by wolves, bears, and other animals. There is a tradition that one lady staid many nights with nothing but blankets to keep the wolves from her window. Many of the settlers passed their first night under an upturned hoghead, to protect themselves from wild beasts. All the houses were built of logs, and people who kept sheep or swine, made pens for them beneath some window, that they might be easily reached in [6] time of danger. One man, returning from Adams in the evening, was followed for some distance, by a bear walking upon its hind feet, ready to give an unwelcome hug, but the resolute pioneer, turning about, commenced a lecture which so disconcerted Bruin, that he left in disgust.

For several years after the first settlement

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the colonies were engaged in the struggle for independence, and during this period the settlement of this town was much retarded: yet, at the close of the war 35 families had homes in "Bullock's Grant."

We here give the names of these families, followed by brief sketches of their subsequent history.

Lemuel Hathaway	}	from Taunton
Daniel Wetherel		
William Wilbur		
Joseph Williams		
Joseph Williams Jr.		
William Williams		
Thomas Williams		
Loved Eddy		
Zechariah Paddleford	}	

John Bourne	}	from Attleborough
Joseph Bishop		
Comfort Bates		
Abial Dunham		
Michael Sweet		
David Matthews		

Simeon Hodges	}	from Norton
Snellen Babbitt		

Peleg Hathaway	}	from Middleborough
Nathan Sherman		
Mr. Reed		

Peter Bennet	}	from Pelham
Eliezur Edson		

Joshua Felt	from Easton	
James Nelson	from Brimfield	
William Ingraham	from Rehoboth	
Nathan Haskins	from Shutesbury	
Samuel Rogers	}	from Sharon
William Tolman		

Wm. Bowen

from Warren, R.I.

Samuel Read

Shubarl Fuller

Azariah Heath

Joseph Putney

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ecticut.

The families of the two Hathaways remained in town, and many of their descendants still reside here.

Wm. Williams kept the first Hotel, or "Tavern," in the town, obtaining his license in 1794. The Williams families kept Hotel, and were residents of the town for many years.

The Eddy and Paddleford families were also represented in town, for the greater portion of time since its settlement.

The Paddlefords lived for some time in what is now (1879) called the "Brier".

Mr. Bishop did not remain long in the place, becoming discontented he removed to Adams.

The descendants of Mr. Bourn still reside in town.

John Bourn was born in 1783, being the first male child born in Savoy.

Caleb Bourne, -- of this family, was for many years [p8] a teacher and a prominent man in the town. Other members of this family are mentioned in another part of this book.

Simeon Hodges came here in 1777 (we believe) and the Hodges of North Adams, are members of the family, none living in Savoy at the present time.

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SMELLEN BABBITT, who came to Savoy in 1787, was a man of good education coupled with energy. He became a leader in public matters, receiving almost every office at the hand of his fellow townsmen. He died in 1854, in his 94th year.

Mr. Babbitt's descendants have all been characterized by a spirit of energy and enterprise.

His son, Edward remained in town and was prominent in all town affairs, indeed, it is related, so great was his influence, that at town meeting many voters waited until "Ned Babbitt" had voted, before acting on important questions.

A. J. Babbitt(a son of Edward), has also taken an active part in public and political matters, and was for many years manufacturer of the famous "Babbitt" Ax. He now resides in Springfield, Mass.

Others will receive notice under head of Physicians, etc.

[9] The Shermans located in the New State, and the different branches of the family have constituted a majority of the inhabitants in this section, at any time, during the last seventy five years.

Among these were

Abial

Jacob died in 1873 at an advanced age.

Joseph

Seth

The only Shermans, now living in Savoy, are members of this family,(of Jacob).

NATHAN HASKINS was an early settler, and was the first settled minister in town; as such receiving the right of 380 acres reserved as a donation for the first minister.

His descendants formed a large portion

of the population in the district known as "Spruce Corner".

Mr. DUNHAM settled in the north part of the town, and from him are descended the Dunhams mentioned hereafter in these pages.

We are unable to give an account of the remaining families, and have not learned how long they remained in the town. Others came soon after the close of the Revolutionary war.

A large part of "Bullock's Grant," together with other small tracts of land, was incorporated, with all the [10] inhabitants thereon, as a town, Feb. 20 1797, with its present name, given (undoubtedly) because of its resemblance to the mountainous country of Savoy in Europe.

In the act of incorporation its boundaries are given as follows:

East line, from south west corner of Hawley 2060 rods to Cold river; North line, 1247 rods on the channel of said river, then 780 rods to Adams line; West line, 1060 rods south, then 80 deg. west, 240 rods to cheshire line, thence east 446 rods to stake and stones, thence south 330 to Windsor line; South line, 1723 rods to first mentioned corner of Hawley.

The town is situated on the Hoosac range of the Green Mountains, 110 miles west of Boston

SKETCHES of FAMILIES, etc.

Some of the older families in the south part of the town are

Ingraham Bowker Bates Bliss
and Sturtevant.

Wm. INGRAHAM was one of the original settlers, and an influential citizen.

of the Department of the Interior, Bureau of
Reclamation, Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir: In accordance with the provisions of
the Act of March 3, 1909, (35 Stat. 1225),
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Very truly yours,
Director, Bureau of Reclamation,
Washington, D.C.

Enclosed for you are two copies of the
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of the work of the Commission, and
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OBADIAH INGRAHAM (son of Wm.) was for many years owner of a grist mill at the Hollow, was a [11] Deacon in the church. His son DAVID INGRAHAM, is now (1879) Town Clerk in Savoy.

The BOWKERS were well educated, all of them attaining to honorable positions in society.

The only male survivor of the BLISS family, now living in the south part of the town, is Wm. BLISS, a cabinet maker. William's son DUANE, is extensively engaged in the lumber business in Nevada.

Of the BATES family, S.W.BATES, alone, resides in town.

The STURTEVANTS came to Savoy in 1811, since which time, they have been an influential family

SIMEON GOFF was the first of this name in the place.

The only village is in this part, on a branch of the Westfield river. It has generally supported two stores, two churches, and for some time two Hotels, kept by the Hathaways, Bowkers, Halls and others.

In 1849 there was a flourishing lodge of the I.O.O.F. called Green Mountain Tent.

In 1850 the "Hollow" was one of the most prosperous of the hill villages in Berkshire county. Since that time, like other hill towns, its prosperity has declined; however, a spirit of enterprise exists, indicated by improvements of late.

[12] In the south eastern part of the town

the older families were those of --
BENJAMIN CARPENTER, who settled where Mr.
Elbridge Ingraham now lives, and was the
ancestor of the Carpenters residing in this
section;
of Mr.MIRICK, from New Bedford.

ALLEN & NOAH MIRICK, his sons, are still
living in the place;

of the REMINGTONS, and of

Capt. JOHN DEMING, who came from Woodstock,
Ct. in 1811. Mr. Deming had several
children, one of them

Rev. Amos Deming, is yet living there. The
"Elder" is in his 88th year, was for many
years pastor of the Baptist Church in this
place, has baptized over 200 persons, and
officiated at 142 weddings. He now lives
with his sons, Mark and Amos, enterprising
farmers, and manufacturers of Boxes.

In the part now called Savoy Center,
lived Mr. CONSIDER HATHAWAY and his family;
the MILLERS, Samuel, Barnard, Nathan, &
Wm. They were naturally a strong and hardy
people.

Wm. MILLER built and for a time kept a
Hotel on the corner, now owned by Wms. Sherman.
There are now four families of this name in
Savoy.

The CARTERS, were [13] business men,
in their day, but none are living here at
the present time.

The Wm. Carter place is now owned by
Lorenzo SHAW of Cummington, who built here a
steam saw-mill, and for a short time, carried
on an extensive lumber business.

The first section of the report
is devoted to a general survey of
the situation in the country and
the progress of the work of the
Commission.

The second section contains a
detailed account of the work of the
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In the New State were the SHEERMANS, (already mentioned), The FISH families, who owned an edge tool shop near Cold river, north east of W. W. Burnett's residence, the BLISSES, ROBERTS, SIMMONS, and BRIDGES families.

BRADISH DUNHAM, who lived where Horace Ford now does, was one of the foremost men in the town, taking part in all public affairs.

ABEL CARPENTER came to Berkshire County, in 1787, Abel's son PHILO CARPENTER, was born in Savoy, Feb. 27th 1805.

When about 23 years of age he went to Troy, N.Y. and afterwards to Chicago, Ill., buying land in that place when it was but a village of log houses. He established the first Sabbath School and delivered the first temperance lecture in Chicago. He has become wealthy, and has lived to see the city he helped to build, one of the most [14] prosperous cities in the Union.

Mr. Carpenter was given over \$100,000, for religious and educational purposes. His brother the late ABEL CARPENTER, was also a resident of the same city.

We might also mention other families of this section, among them, the CAINS, of whom Dea. James Cain is the oldest living representative; DANIEL ESTES, a former sea captain, whose adventures would make an interesting volume; and of Wm. PERKINS, the father of Rev. ORRIN PERKINS a Universalist preacher, and grandfather of Rev. O. P. Gifford, the eminent Baptist preacher, of Boston.

The TYLERS have left town, their farm is now owned by DENNIS HASKINS, who has near here a stave manufactory, employment to a number of persons.

In the "Brier" were the DUNHAMS, Daniel, and his sons Alvin, and Orrin who still lives in the place; the POLLYS, of whom Asa is the oldest now living here; the SNOWS, Simeon, Russell and Harmon, all intelligent and respected citizens;

Rev. NATHANIEL McCULLOCK was a resident of this section from about 1830 until his death in 1867. He had a large family; [15] though only three of his children remain in the town. Four of his sons are preachers, in the western states;

the families of AUGUSTUS MAYNARD, and the late EPHRAIM WALKER, have lived here for many years;

the JOSLYNS, RINGS, and CARPENTERS, former residents, have nearly disappeared.

In 1841, Russel SNOW, EZRA STEARNS, and J.B.CUDWORTH, built a tannery, near where E.J.Crandall's saw-mill now stands, which was afterwards owned by Mr. Alvin CUDWORTH, and finally by TIMOTHY BAKER who carried on the business until 1860, when it was given up. Mr. Baker now lives in Adams.

From 1866 to 1870 a large lumber mill was in operation here, owned by parties in other towns. The lumber business is now carried on by Asa and Harvey POLLY, E.J.CRANDALL, and W.B.BAKER.

In the " SPRUCE CORNER", and the eastern part of Savoy, the early settlers were JOSIAH BLANCHARD, ASEEL HORTON, who came from Windsor in 1800; and E.LEONARD, who came in 1806. The Leonards were from Raynham, and were descendants of the Leonards, owners of the house in which [16] the head of King Philip (the famous Indian warrior) was exhibited, after he was slain in battle.

Among the later residents were NELSON WING; ETHAN MAYNARD; JOSIAH TILTON, who came from Goshen, in 1817; and the BARTON family.

This is a pleasant region some of the buildings lately erected giving the place a neat appearance. A saw-mill is owned by J.W.Bourne; and Rev. H.K.Flagg, an Adventist preacher residing here a greater part of the time since 1863, has a printing office, established lately for the purpose of issuing tracts,&c.

The families of Mr. PHILLIPS, (father of Dr. H.P.Phillips of North Adams), the WALKERS, LEONARDS, and others lived on the road leading north from Savoy Hollow, over the hill known as "Fifty one", from the number of the original lot.

Since the introduction of the modern system of building roads in the valleys, this road is little used, and the region nearly depopulated.

The same may be said of the old road by Ezekiel Fuller's; yet, this is not an indication of decline. since better advantages are afforded in the valleys.

CHURCHES and MINISTERS

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The people of this town have taken a lively interest in all religious matters, and while a majority of the hill towns in New England have had but one church, (generally the Congregational) this one has nurtured almost every denomination; indeed, it has been the birthplace of one of the "isms" whose remarkable growth commands the attention of our whole nation.

The first church organization in
Savoy, was that of the

First Baptist Church

organized, at the house of Wm. Williams, June 24
1786, consisting of 10 members, viz;

Nathan Haskins and wife

Wm. Williams and wife

Lucinda Wilbore

Nathan Fay

Solomon Fay

Benjamin Bullen

Zechariah Paddleford

Alice Reed

Nathan Haskins the first minister, was ordained Jan. 28 1789, and was pastor until his death on Dec. 10 1802. After his death there was no settled pastor until 1810, when Phillip Pierce became pastor, remaining until 1817. Elder Keys next supplied the pulpit, in 1823 [18] he was succeeded by David Woodbury, who gave place the following year, to Benjamin F. Remington. Since Mr. Remington, the church has had the following pastors;

Elnathan Sweet

O. Martin

George Walker

Nathaniel McCulloch

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The first Church edifice was built in 1804, on the corner near the S. W. Bates place. In 1848 it was removed to its present location in Savoy Hollow. This church reached its highest point of prosperity in 1850, and had then 103 members.

The Second Baptist Church

was organized at New State, May 23 1842, with 24 members. Rev. N. McCulloch was their first pastor, Jas. Cain, deacon and clerk. Amos Deming was ordained as their pastor May 27 1834; and Edgar F. Cady Feb. 3 1848. J. M. Whipple became pastor in 1849, and after him Rev. A. Deming was called to his second pastorate. In 1849 the church [19] had 61 members. Soon after the the church being unable to support a minister, disbanded and united with the first Baptist church. Their house of worship was built in 1842, and has since been repaired and neatly fitted up as a union church.

The First Congregational Society

was formed Feb. 18 1811, composed of 20 members living in Savoy and Windsor. Rev. Japhthah Poole was ordained pastor of this church Oct. 11 1811.

After his dismissal the pulpit was mainly supplied from missionary sources. Their church was erected on the line between the above named towns, near Mr. Hillis' residence. This church at one time, had 56 members.

The Methodist Society

was organized in 1834, and built their church at Savoy Hollow in 1835. The names of the pastors of this church are as follows;

A. C. Wheat
Samuel Palmer
Benjamin McLeoth
Thomas Marcy
J. B. Dean
John Cadwell
A. Baillie
A. G. Bowles
A. S. Flagg
R. Mitchell
D. Todd
[20]
R. Gage
E. H. Chapin
C. N. Merrifield
E. B. Morgan

In 1854 they had 38 members. This church has not sustained regular meetings during the last twelve years, but several attempts have been made to revive them, with Rev. G. Hewes as pastor in 1870, Rev. A. Lawrence in 1878, and Rev. J. Wood in 1879.

Adventist Church

When the doctrines promulgated by Wm. Miller (a relative of the Savoy Millers), created so much attention in this country, they acquired a strong foothold in this town, and several church organizations have resulted therefrom. The preaching has been mainly by travelling ministers of the

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denomination; although several preachers of considerable talent have originated in this locality. One of these societies have held services in the Union Church, and were quite prosperous under the pastorates of

Eld. E. McCulloch (now of Nevada, O.)

Eld. R. Starks

Mrs. E. A. Warren
and others.

50 members.

Another society built a chapel and still hold meetings at Spruce Corner. D. Sears, pastor.

[21]

Mormanism, Etc.

About the year 1810, the veritable Joe Smith, of Mormon notoriety, coming here from Vermont, commenced the formation of a church, or "community". Smith being a man of considerable tact and wonderful psychological or mesmeric influence, succeeded in attracting many followers in the north part of the town, and taking a wife, he seemed likely to prosper; when lo! a former wife appeared, and the citizens being loth to accept this innovation, he made a sudden exit in search of "greener" fields. He afterwards gathered his "Church of the Latter-day-Saints," at Palmyra, N.Y., taking care to avoid future "domestic troubles" by securing their sanction through inspired (?) revelation.

The Shakers

of New Lebanon, N.Y. established here in 1815, a community from the remnant of Smith's followers. They built a grist-mill, shop, a hall of worship,

(now used as a shed on the H. Ford place) and for a few years prospered, but the region was not adapted to their mode of living, and after five years of experiment, returned to New Lebanon, with several families from Savoy. Their doctrines were a curious mixture [21] of truth, witchcraft, and superstition. The excitement attending this revival was intense, and several persons became insane from its effects.

Schools, Teachers, etc.

Provision was made for the support of schools by the reservation of the right for this purpose.

At the first town meeting, held at the house of Wm. Williams Apr. 24 1797, the sum of \$80, was appropriated for schools. Of course this amount would not furnish superior advantages to the children of those days, but it sufficed to give our forefathers a decent common school education, and a better idea of civility than is acquired in some of our modern schools.

As time advanced, the amount raised for schools was increased, and in 1815 reached the sum of \$250. In 1829 the school fund accruing from the sale of school right (sold in 1821), and ministerial right (sold in 1826), was \$1017.96.

The school interests have always been well sustained, and the pupils generally as forward as those in other common schools. Among the teachers originating in Savoy are the following;

Bradish Dunham

Caleb Bourne

Ward B. Bates, an expert mathematician, now residing at Earlville, Ill.

F. C. Bourne

O. Perkins, late principal of the Institute at Cooperstown, N.Y.

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Representatives

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Snellem Babbitt,
William Ingraham
Ed. Babbitt
J. B. Cudworth
Philip Pierce
R. Sturtevant
[23]
David Ingraham
Timothy Baker
Harmon Snow
Melvin Bowker
S. P. Dresser
Leonard McCulloch

Justices

Snellem Babbitt
Bradish Dunham
Harmon Snow
A. M. Bowker
L. McCulloch
Geo. Dunham
S. P. Dresser
F. C. Bourne
N. E. Goff

Lawyers

Savoy cannot boast of a number of her sons in the legal profession, but what may be wanting in quantity is amply made up in quality. The only lawyers from Savoy are the sons of Bradish Dunham.

JARVIS N. DUNHAM, of Pittsfield, is one of the leading lawyers in Western Mass. He has filled

many offices of trust and is highly esteemed in political, as in social circles.

HENRY J. DUNHAM, of Stockbridge, Mass. is also an eminent and respected lawyer. Mr. Dunham is the author of a recent publication entitled "The Game Laws of Massachusetts".

The Clergymen

The clergymen from this place are;

Rev. Amos Deming	}	Baptist
Rev. George Walker		
Rev. John Haradon		

Rev. Spencer Tilestone, Methodist

Rev. O. Perkins	}	Universalist
Rev. N. D. Sherman		

The Physicians

The physicians originating in the town are;

Snell Babbitt
Isaac Hodges
Joel Burnett
Isaac Brown
Simeon Snow
Amos Walker

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Silas J. Brown	}	now practicing in Whately, Mass.
Chas. Bowker		
A. M. Bowker		
C. M. Barton		

The following are the physicians who have practiced in Savoy;

Nathan Branch
L. Phillips
Samuel Bullock
Isaac Hodges
Wm. A. Hamilton
Snell Babbitt
Warren C. Partridge
Philemon Stacy
Nathan Weston
Charles Bowker
A. M. Bowker
O. A. Wheeler
S. P. Dresser
M. A. Bowen

Post Offices

The Savoy P.O. was established in 1817, on the Adams and Ashfield route, and has had as postmasters;

D. Sturtevant
Russell Sherman
Liberty Madison
Calvin Bowker

The Savoy Center P.O. was established in 1876, on the Adams and Charlemont route.

J. V. Gurney, P.M.

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War Record

We cannot look with pride upon our records of the Revolution; in fact, the only tradition concerning the matter has an unpatriotic savor. It is said that a young pioneer (we withhold his name) was engaged in clearing land when the call was made, for volunteers to defend the military stores, and striking his axe into a stump, he resolutely shouldered his musket and started for -- his mother's home in Norton.

The following were soldiers of the Revolution afterwards residing in Savoy;

Joseph Williams

John Cain

Snellem Babbitt

Elijah Turner

In the war of 1812, the town furnished her full quoter of soldiers. At the time of the threatened invasion of Boston, the company, to which the Savoy militia belonged, were ordered to the defence of the capital, and in their zeal marched to Boston, without adequate rest or refreshment, rendering them unfit for action. (Hapily their services at the time were not needed). When the company came within sight of the city, one of the Savoy soldiers, given to stammering, exclaimed in astonishment; "G-g-good God! see the h-housen." We are unable to give a list of the men, but have obtained the names of several, viz;

Peleg Hathaway

Wm. Miller

John Cain

Moses Cain

Henry Segar

Caleb Bourne

Phineas DeMaranville

Seth Sherman

Bradish Dunham

Benjamin Burlingame

In the war of the Rebellion, Savoy has an honorable record, having furnished over 70 men, 11 of these died in service, or were killed on the battle-field.

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At Different Periods Has Been

In 1800	430	In 1840	913
1810	711	1850	1003
1820	852	1875	730

showing a decrease of 273 since 1850

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There is in Savoy at the present time (1879)

about 200 dwelling houses

- 1 hotel
- 3 stores
- 4 churches
- 1 grange of Patrons of Husbandry
- 1 printing office

There are about 200 voters, consisting of

- 6 lumber dealers
- 1 physician
- 5 clergymen
- 20 mechanics
- 2 shoe-makers

and the balance, farmers.

Savoy has several objects of interest and curiosity, viz;

"The Tannery Falls," near the old tannery site, on a small stream, but with great fall;
The "Mineral Spring", said to possess medicinal properties;
and the ruins of the famous "Haunted House".

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1924	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929
1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935

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